

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at p. 6, line 25, with the following rewritten text:

Figure ~~[[8]]~~ 8a shows that the recombinant fusion protein is recognized by anti-Tf ~~and anti-G-CSF~~ antibodies. ~~(a)~~ Western-blot using anti-Tf antibody. Lane A: fusion protein; lane B: transferrin. ~~(b)~~

Figure 8b shows that the recombinant fusion protein is recognized by anti-G-CSF antibodies. Western-blot using anti-G-CSF antibody. Lane A: fusion protein; lane B: G-CSF control.